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METHOD OF AUTOMATICALLY EVALUATING IMAGES

BEING PROCESSED IN A PHOTOGRAPHIC LABORATORY SYSTEM

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

1   Images being processed in a photographic laboratory system into

2   different forms of output are automatically evaluated to determine for each image

3   whether it is of sufficient quality to merit processing into a selected form of output.

4   Each image is individually evaluated by determining a grade value for each of one or

5   more characteristic properties of the image, by assigning a target value to each of

6   the characteristic image properties relative to each available form of output, and by

7   comparing the grade value to the target value for a selected form of output.

(Fig. 1)

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